03 FEB 19 AM 7:21

1000 · 1

7

making IT possible

82-34643

Rule 12g3-2(b) File No. 82-5190

Office of International Corporate Finance Division of Corporation Finance Securities and Exchange Commission 450 Fifth Street, N.W. Washington, D.C. 20549 U.S.A.

Tel. Nr. Filing desk 202 942 80 50

Date February 12, 2003
Contact Jasmin Lioliou
E-mail jasmin.lioliou@unaxis.com
Directphone ++41 58 360 96 04

Subject Unaxis Holding, Inc. Rule 12g3-2(b) File No. 82-5190 03003908



The enclosed information is being furnished to the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC") on behalf of Unaxis Holding, Inc. (the "Company") pursuant to the exemption from the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (the "Act") afforded by Rule 12g3-2(b) thereunder.

This information is being furnished under paragraph (1) of Rule 12g3-2(b) with the understanding that such information and documents will not be deemed to be "filed" with the SEC or otherwise subject to the liabilities of Section 18 of the Act and that neither this letter nor the furnishing of such information and documents shall constitute an admission for any purpose that the Company is subject to the Act.

Sincerely, for and on behalf of Unaxis Holding, Inc.

Jasmin Lioliou Corporate Communications

Enclosure

Media Release, 4 Quarter Report 2003

PROCESSED

MAR 0-3 2003

THOMSON FINANCIAL

Unaxis Management Inc. Churerstrasse 120 P.O.Box CH-8808 Pfäffikon / SZ Phone ++41 58 360 96 96 Fax ++41 58 360 91 96

www.unaxis.com



Media Release

Orders received in 2002 rise 7 percent on a comparable basis. Delayed market recovery by the IT industry and fewer orders on hand at the outset of the year cause a 21 percent fall in sales.

Pfäffikon, February 12, 2003 - Orders received by the Unaxis Corporation in fiscal year 2002 were CHF 1,494 million¹ (2001: CHF 1,573 million¹). On a comparable basis², orders received by Unaxis increased by 7 percent in 2002 to CHF 1,428 million (2001: CHF 1,334 million). Unaxis corporation sales in fiscal year 2002 were CHF 1,490 million¹ (2001: CHF 2,127 million¹). With only CHF 427 million of orders on hand at the outset of the year (start of 2001: CHF 889 million), there was a 21 percent drop in sales on a comparable basis² to CHF 1,426 million (2001: CHF 1,796 million).

On a comparable basis, both orders received and sales showed increases in the 4th quarter of 2002². Orders received rose 8 percent on the previous quarter to CHF 349 million (Q3 2002: CHF 322 million); sales were likewise up 2 percent to CHF 382 million (Q3 2002: CHF 373 million).

Segment Information Technology³

In the 4th quarter, orders received by the Information Technology segment rose 28 percent to CHF 684 million (CHF 536 million). Sales of CHF 650 million in 2002 were 29 percent down on the previous year (2001: CHF 913 million).

Orders received by the Information Technology segment increased 9 percent to CHF 156 million (Q3 2002: CHF 143 million), while sales relative to the previous quarter were up 8 percent to CHF 194 million (Q3 2002; CHF 180 million).

Optics, Decorative Coating, Hapsite and Contraves Inc. USA sold in 2001. ³ On a comparable basis, i.e. excluding business activities of Materials sold in 2002.

Unaxis Management Inc. Telephone +41 58 360 96 96 Churerstrasse 120 P.O. Box CH-8808 Pfäffikon SZ

Fax

+41 58 360 91 96

www.unaxis.com

¹ Key figures for 2002 and 2001 are not directly comparable on account of activities divested in the course of corporate restructuring.

² On a comparable basis, i.e. excluding business activities of Materials sold in 2002 and the business activities Leybold

Page 2 Segment Surface Technology⁴

Sales of CHF 306 million by the Surface Technology segment corresponded to a 6 percent decrease on the previous year (2001: CHF 326 million). Surface Technology quarterly sales were strongest at the end of 2002, when they reached CHF 81 million – a 14 percent rise on the previous quarter (Q3 2002: CHF 71 million).

Segment Components and Special Systems⁵

Orders received by the Components and Special Systems segment fell 9 percent to CHF 439 million (2001: CHF 479 million). Sales by this segment were CHF 471 million in fiscal year 2002, 15 percent lower than the previous year's figure (CHF 557 million). The 4th quarter of 2002 brought CHF 112 million of orders received, marking a slight increase on the 3rd quarter (CHF 108 million).

Unaxis Management Inc.

Unaxis Management Inc.

Media Relations

Nicolas Weidmann

Tel. +41 58 360 96 96

Fax +41 58 360 91 93

E-mail: media.relations@unaxis.com

Investor Relations

Dr. Philipp Gamper

Tel. +41 58 360 96 22

Fax +41 58 363 91 93

E-mail: investor.relations@unaxis.com

Unaxis Corporation will provide detailed information about the company's annual results at the press and analysts' conference to be held on March 25, 2003 at the SWX Swiss Exchange, Zurich.

Unaxis - a world-class high technology corporation

Unaxis is a globally active leading provider of production systems, components and services for selected growth markets, focused on information technology. Unaxis' activities comprise the Information Technology segment (semiconductors, flat-panel displays, data storage and optical components), Surface Technology, and Components and Special Systems (vacuum technology and space travel engineering). Unaxis employs around 6,500 people and achieved sales of CHF 1,490 million in 2002. Corporate headquarters are in Pfäffikon (SZ) Switzerland, with production facilities in Europe, North America and Asia, plus sales organizations in 22 countries.

⁴ On a comparable basis, i.e. excluding the business activity Decorative Coating sold in 2001.

⁵ On a comparable basis, i.e. excluding the business activitiy Leybold Optics sold in 2001.

Page 3 Unaxis Corporation quarterly development

	2002					2001					
in CHF million	Q1-Q4	Q4	Q3	Q2	Q1	Q1-Q4	Q4	Q3	Q2	Q1	
Total Unaxis on comparable basis											
Orders received	1,428	349	322	476	281	1,334	274	266	366	428	
Sales	1,426	382	373	379	292	1,796	411	387	462	536	
Orders on hand	on 12/31/20 406	002		1		on 12/31/ 427	2001				
Total divestments CINC, Hapsite, Materials, Leybold Optics, Decorative Coating											
Orders received	66	7	6	23	30	239	19	50	81	89	
Sales	63	7	-8	24	25	330	22	72	124	112	
Orders on hand	on 12/31/2	002	177			on 12/31/2001					
	3				122	12					
Total Unaxis Corporation			774 Ž. Z.s.	4.70							
Orders received	1,494	356	328	499	311	1,573	293	316	447	517	
Sales	1,490	389	381	403	317	2,127	433	459	586	648	
Orders on hand	on 12/31/2 409	002				on 12/31 439	/2001				

Quarterly development by division on a comparable basis Information Technology segment

Orders received in CHF million					2001						
	Q1-Q4	Q4	Q3	Q2	Q1	Q1-Q4	Q4	Q3	Q2	Q1	
Semiconductors Back End (ESEC)	157	33	30	62	32	106	14	19	13	60	
Semiconductors Front End	158	25	47	51	35	207	16	33	74	84	
Displays	91	26	8	55	2	52	5	21	24	2	
Data Storage	184	49	31	80	23	76	2	29	35	10	
Optics	95	23	27	24	21	95	32	5	19	39	
Total Information Technology	684	156	143	272	113	536	69	107	165	195	
Sales in CHF million	2002				2001						
Mail	Q1-Q4	Q4	Q3	Q2	Q1	Q1-Q4	Q4	Q3	Q2	Q1	
Semiconductors Back End (ESEC)	150	31	49	44	26	189	20	28	55	86	
Semiconductors Front End	170	54	37	55	25	328	99	52	100	77	
Displays	68	37	14	- 6	11	134	8	31	34	61	
Data Storage	171	48	60	43	- 20	157	40	52	27	38	
Optics	91,	24	21	24	22	105	22	24	27	32	
Total Information Technology	650	194	180	172	104	913	189	187	243	294	
Orders on hand in CHF million											
	on 12/31/20	02				on 12/31/	2001				
Semiconductors Back End (ESEC)	17					1 11					
Semiconductors Front End	49					70					
Displays	64					44					
Data Storage	53					43					
Optics	28					27					
Total Information Technology	209	4-1-12				195					

Page 4

Surface Technology segment

Orders received in CHF million	The real of the second		2001							
	Q1-Q4	Q4	Q3	Q2	Q1	Q1-Q4	Q4	Q3	Q2	Q1
Total Surface Technology	305	81	7.1	80	73	319	76	74	84	85
Sales in CHF million						2001				
,,, 6, 11 ,,,,,,,	Q1-Q4	Q4	Q3	Q2	Q1	Q1-Q4	Q4	Q3	Q2	Q1
Total Surface Technology	306	81	71	79	74	326	80	75	82	89
Orders on hand in CHF million	on 12/31/20	02				on 12/31/	2001			
Total Surface Technology	0			7363.97		0				

Components and Special Systems segment

Orders received	2002					2001					
in CHF million	Q1-Q4	Q4	Q3	Q2	Q1	Q1-Q4	Q4	Q3	Q2	Q1	
Leybold Vacuum	352	82	89	. 97	85	392	96	83	100	113	
Contraves Space	86	30	19	27	10	87	33	2	17	35	
Total Components and Special Systems	439	112	108	124	95	479	129	85	117	148	
Sales	2002					2001					
in CHF milliøn	Q1-Q4	Q4	Q3	Q2	Q1	Q1-Q4	Q4	Q3	Q2	Q1	
Leybold Vacuum	358	92	86	95	85	438	93	113	111	121	
Contraves Space	113	16	35	33	29	119	49	12	26	32	
Total Components and Special Systems	471	108	121	128	114	557	142	125	137	153	
Orders on hand in CHF million	on 12/31/20	02				on 12/31/	2001				
Leybold Vacuum	31					40		<u> </u>			
Contraves Space	165					192					
Total Components and Special Systems	197					232					